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#### **NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE**

Majority prices were unchanged in the West, but higher elsewhere when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment ranged steady to firm. Retail demand was slow to moderate. Food service was light to good, best into fast food channels for promotions. Supplies were in good balance to well cleared with smaller sizes often in the best position. In the parts structure, movement was moderate to good. Breast items were well balanced to tight, dark meat was adequate to short, and wings were readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

<u>Final Report</u> of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 22-MAY-2006 (cents per lb)

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<u>AREAS</u>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	WTD	<b>LOADS</b>	WTD	<b>LOADS</b>
		<u>AVG</u>		<u>AVG</u>	
Boston/New En	gland TFEWR		:	57.04	19
Chicago	52.00-55.00	53.47	35 :	53.96	71
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	52.75	21
Denver	74.50	74.29	14:	75.13	16
Detroit	53.00-57.00	56.45	11 :	58.13	70
Los Angeles	75.00	72.70	67 :	67.65	157
New York	52.00-55.00	54.25	24:	58.09	73
Philadelphia	51.50-53.00	52.50	12 :	54.06	26
Pittsburgh	51.00-54.00	53.27	11 :	61.22	58
St. Louis	53.25-53.50	52.97	20:	53.82	37
San Francisco	75.50	74.63	32:	75.97	69
	Composite '	Weiahte	d Average	9	

Loads 05/22/06 Change/Last Wk 05/15/06 05/23/05 617 61.27 2.46 58.81 73.20

**WOG BROILERS** (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

<b>REGIONS</b>	<u>Majority</u>	Wtd Avg	<b>Loads</b>
Eastern	58.00-60.00	59.09	32
Central	49.00-59.00	56.34	79
Western	52.00-63.00	62.39	40
	Southeast Area FOB Doo	ck Equivalent	
Mississippi	66.00-69.00	67.10	88

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 68.00 cents based on icepacked USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG
<b>RANGE</b>	FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
51.00-70.00	66.81
confirmed final	weighted average prices on
WTD AVG	VOLUME
143.00	1,471
123.00	6,126
61.50	1,536
81.00	1,170
25.50	9,484
83.00	3,091
	51.00-70.00 confirmed final <b>WTD AVG</b> 143.00 123.00 61.50 81.00 25.50

THIS INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED BY THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S POULTRY MARKET NEWS SERVICE.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was moderate to mostly good entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were in good balance to well cleared. Movement through retail and distributive channels was moderate. The market tone was firm. In the parts complex, breast items were in good balance to tight; leg cuts were adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Wings were at least adequate to fully adequate.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand following the weekend was fair to moderate with active trading and optimism for upcoming Memorial Day weekend. Supplies of all sizes were sufficient to closely cleared for trade needs. In the parts structure, interest was moderate to good with supplies of dark meat and breast items no more than adequate to short; however, wings were readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged. Trading reported at mainly unchanged prices on regular commitments and unchanged to higher on new negotiations. The market tone was fully steady overall. Offerings were adequate overall with small sized product in the closest position. Retailer demand was light to good, best to cover features planned or in progress. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend carryovers. Parts were steady to firm. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was up .27 to 55.41 with the volume reported at 27 loads down 4 percent.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Whole broiler/fryer majority prices increased 5 cents in Chicago and St. Louis and 5 to 6 cents in Detroit from last Monday's final; Ohio cities remained TFEWR. The trade sentiment on whole fryers was steady to firm. Offerings were light to available for the limited interest. Retail activity was slow, while food service demand was light to moderate. Fast food was good and providing most draw. Floor stocks were balanced; sizes desirable. Parts supplies were in close balance with boneless skinless breasts and dark meat items tight. The market tone was fully steady to firm on dark meat cuts and breast items, the balance steady.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds for early week business was moderate to good. Seller offerings for the most part remain in good balance to closely cleared. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent higher at 53 to 70 cents. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. In the parts complex, offerings were adequate to barely adequate. Bone-in and particularly boneless/skinless breasts were no more than adequate. Wings were generally sufficient but not ample, tenders were a tad slower but in good shape.

\*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE	Α
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RANGE 50-70 WEIGHTED AVERAGE (A) NO. OF BOXES (A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity ranged moderate to mostly good entering the week. Offerings of breast items were in good balance to well cleared. Most dark meat cuts were adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Wings remained fully adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm on breast items; fully steady on most dark meat cuts. The balance of items were generally steady. ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM NEGOTIA	CURRENT ATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	135-140	119.29	557,580
TENDERLOINS	100-105	97.40	114.500
BREAST - WITH RIBS	66-67	75.53	59,600
BREAST - LINE RUN	66	69.28	94,400
LEGS	37-38	47.58	156,000
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	25-26	25.61	257,800
DRUMSTICKS	32-33	30.90	125,960
THIGHS	28-29	34.32	52,880
B/S THIGHS	83-84	82.03	131,280
WINGS (WHOLE)	70-71	70.30	200,080
BACKS AND NECKS (STRII	PPED) 10-12	11.37	7,640
LIVERS (5 POUND TÙBS)	30-35	34.86	1,120
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.32	9,400

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

- TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.
- \*\* WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

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<u>ITEM</u>	LBS (000)	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,333 113	3.00-125.00	-	117.88
TENDERLOINS	284 91	.00-166.00	-	103.34
BREAST - WITH RIBS	TOC	FEW TO RE	PORT	
FRONT HALVES	TOC	FEW TO RE	PORT	
LEGS	TOC	FEW TO RE	PORT	
LEG QUARTERS (BUL	K)1,794 2	24.00-28.00	24.5	24.68
LEG QUARTERS (4/10	) 1,870 2	22.00-28.00	25.5	25.64
WINGS (WHOLE)	761 5	1.00-87.00	-	73.31
DRUMSTICKS	TOC	FEW TO RE	PORT	
THIGHS	1,369 2	24.00-30.00	24	24.24

#### ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

<u>E</u>	STIMATE	<u>ACTUAL</u>	AVG WTS	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>AVG WTS</u>
	(1,000)	(1,000)		(1,000)	
	05/22	05/18	05/18	05/15	05/11
Alabama	4,180	4,048	5.29	3,946	4.94
Arkansas	5,479	5,345	5.21	5,319	5.23
Delmarva	2,207	2,252	5.67	2,274	5.61
KY-LA-TN	2,322	2,320	5.12	2,185	4.91
Mississippi	2,951	2,980	5.79	2,814	5.70
North Caroli	na 2,616	2,609	6.82	2,555	6.70
Texas	2,487	2,537	5.25	2,522	5.20
Total	22,242	22,091	5.53	21,615	5.41
Mon	22,242(A)			21,615(A	<b>N</b> )

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 22-May 2005 is estimated to be 33,277,000 up 2.60 percent from a week ago. and up 4.8 percent from a year ago. (last week 32,435,000 last year 31,739,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVA-LENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CUR-RENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

	<b>POUND</b>	S		WTD
<u>ITEM</u>	(000)	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	AVG
BREAST - B/S	562	117.00-175.00	122-126	127.73
TENDERLOINS	221	92.00-165.00	98-102	101.05
BREAST - LINE RUN	T	OO FEW TO REI	PORT	
FRONT HALVES	T	OO FEW TO REI	PORT	
LEGS	188	33.00-38.00	34-35	34.06
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	560	22.00-28.00	24-25	24.75
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,370	23.00-30.00	26-28	26.78
WINGS (WHOLE)	315	60.00-83.00	-	70.41
WINGS (CUT)	335	80.00-96.00	89-92	89.13
DRUMSTICKS	T	OO FEW TO REI	PORT	
THIGHS	T	OO FEW TO REI	PORT	
B/S THIGHS	T	OO FEW TO REI	PORT	
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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR MAY 22, 2006 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
40.00 - 46.50	43.71	42.33

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

#### MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS ICE-PACKED POOL

TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 22-MAY-TO 26-MAY-2006

ı		Price (Cents) Per LI	o. Mostly
I	BREAST - B/S	112.00 -133.00	115.00 - 122.00
I	BREAST - LINE RUN	60.00 - 88.00	66.00 - 70.00
I	LEGS	33.00 - 46.00	-
I	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	19.00 - 34.00	26.00 - 28.00
I	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	26.00 - 39.00	28.00 - 30.00
I	DRUMSTICKS	26.00 - 41.00	-
I	THIGHS	28.00 - 38.00	-
I	WINGS (WHOLE)	57.00 -100.00	81.00 - 87.00
i	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPP	ED) 12.00 - 23.00	-
I	LIVERS	30.00 - 49.00	-
I	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 59.00	-

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

**RANGE** 

WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE 80.5-98.5 WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES 84-101

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP

FROZEN DUCKS

FROZEN SQUABS

### DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

94-98 FRESH FRYERS 97-105 **ROASTERS 4# & UP** HENS UNDER 5# HENS OVER 5# 65-73

**DUCKS RABBITS-WHOLE** 

RABBITS-CUT UP

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

## **DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

		<u>RANGE</u>	
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	89-103	
	DRY PACK	108-114	
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	100	
	DRY PACK	111-118	
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	88-102	
	DRY PACK	102-109	
DUCKS		185-190	

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#### EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

MAY 19, 2006

**CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED** PRICES --- VOLUME -

(Cents per Pound)

EAT	(00.	p o o u u ,		
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS RANGE WTD AVERAGE	15.50 15.50	15.00-16.00 15.56	442,000	-
15-20%	13.30	15.50		
	1.75-20.00 17.13	11.50-15.00 13.00	1,488,000	728,000
20% OR MORE	-	14.00	80,000	_

<sup>\*</sup> INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

14.00

## CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

MAY 19, 2006 **CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED** PRICES --- VOLUME -

<u></u>						
(Cents per Pound)						
FAT						
CONTENT	<b>FROZEN</b>	FRESH	TOTAL	<b>EXPORT</b>		
15% OR LESS	20.00	16.00	121,600	-		
WTD AVERAGE	20.00	16.00	,			
15-20%						
	.50-19.50	12.00-16.00	1,334,400	480,800		
WTD AVERAGE	13.60	13.60				
000/ OD MODE						
20% OR MORE RANGE						
KANGE	-	-	-	-		

<sup>\*</sup> INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair at best for the least adequate to fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal to instances heavy. Sales of finished product was light to fair. The undertone was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*

WTD AVERAGE

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 22-MAY-06 **RANGE MAJORITY** WTD

ΔVG AT FARM BUYER LOADING 8-14 11-12 11.43 TOO FEW TO REPORT AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING **FOB PLANT** TOO FEW TO REPORT SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were slightly lower compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \* PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 22-MAY-06

RANGE MAJORITY **WTD AVG** AT FARM BUYER LOADING 8-14.75 11-12.5 11.97

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<sup>\*</sup>WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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